



# Between the lines

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## Leadership Change at the Library

**By Susan Denniston,  
Interim Library Director**

Hello! I am Susan W. Denniston, Interim Library Director. I will have the honor of serving in this capacity until a new Director is recruited for Sunnyvale Public Library. For many years, I have been Administrative Librarian at Sunnyvale Public Library, working closely with the Adult, Children's and Circulation Divisions and several special projects. We miss Deborah L. Barrow, former Library Director, who has moved on to become the Library Director at the City of San Diego. Deborah was a champion for a new main library in Sunnyvale and improved library services for the community.

Currently, ongoing library projects include exploring the possibility of a branch library in Sunnyvale and finding a more expedient method of handling our constant avalanche of returned materials. Our staff is continuing to offer excellent programs for all ages and to satisfy the thirst for learning on an ever-changing variety of subjects. New books, CDs, DVDs, online resources, magazines and other types of materials are purchased, ordered and brought to you each day. Please ask our stellar staff for assistance with research and finding materials you want at our information desks. Our Circulation staff is eager to help you to obtain a library card and check out your materials. This is your Library and we welcome your suggestions and good will!



Susan Denniston, Administrative Librarian for Public Services, became Interim Library Director of the Sunnyvale Public Library on Monday, July 21, 2008.

## Council Approves Automated Materials Handling System and Elimination of Reserve Fee

**By Steve Sloan**

When City Council adopted a \$304.9 million budget on Tuesday, June 10, 2008 for Fiscal Year 2008/09, approval was granted to two budget supplements which have an impact on Library services: elimination of the Library's reserve fee, and purchase and installation of an automated materials handling system.

For many years, the Library charged a \$0.50 fee when a Library member placed an item on reserve. Staff recommended eliminating the fee because 1) it would allow placement of reserves to be

consistent with all other public libraries in Silicon Valley; 2) it would allow placement of reserves to be consistent with the Library's own Link+ service which allows placement of reserves on member library's materials free of charge; 3) it would potentially result in greater convenience to members by allowing them to pick up reserved materials on their own and check out materials using the self-check machines; and, 4) there was a minimal fiscal impact associated with the elimination of the fee. The elimination of the Library's reserve fee became effective on July 1, 2008. Library members may now

place a reserve on as many as 10 items at a time with no charge.

Council also allocated funds to purchase and install an automated materials handling system for returned library materials. An automated materials handling system is expected to:

- Cut the time in half to return high demand materials and other items back to the shelves, making them available to other Library members faster
- Speed up the process of checking in materials and improve accuracy of member records
- Provide assurance to members that their records are cleared immediately
- Decrease the cost of checking in materials and provide staff some relief from a potential source of repetitive motion injuries
- Optimize staff hours by relieving staff of routine, repetitive tasks, so that staff may be available to perform direct customer-service related duties
- Optimize existing space and alleviate overcrowding conditions in the Circulation backroom

Work has begun on the automated materials handling system, however, this project will take some months to complete.



As part of the research for an automated materials handling system, Library staff visited neighboring libraries. Shown here is the automated materials handling system at Santa Clara City Library.

## Library Tips for iPhone Users

**By Steve Sloan**

Would you like to make the most of your Sunnyvale Library experience using your iPhone? Here are a few tips:

### The Library is Only a Touch Away

For one-touch access to your Library account,

- Visit [MyLibrary.inSunnyvale.com](http://MyLibrary.inSunnyvale.com)
- Touch +
- Touch Add to Home Screen

- Type in a name such as *My Library*
- Touch Add

For one-touch access to the Library catalog,

- Visit [sunset.ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](http://sunset.ci.sunnyvale.ca.us)
- Follow the steps listed above
- The Library statue will appear as an icon on your iPhone



### Give Your Library Experience a Boost with Apps

To add an application (app) to your iPhone,

- Touch App Store
- Search for the app
- Select app
- Install app

See *iPhone Tips*, page 2



For complete information on the Sunnyvale Public Library, please call (408) 730-7300 or visit

[www.sunnyvalelibrary.org](http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org)

# Branch Library Study Update

By Steve Sloan

In January 2008, City Council requested a study of a branch library for Sunnyvale in a leased facility. A community forum was held on May 29, 2008 to discuss the branch library study. Is a branch library needed in Sunnyvale? Where would one be located? What services would it offer? What would a branch library cost and how would it be funded? These were some of the questions raised during the community forum. Many community members have also contributed feedback by e-mailing [futurelib@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:futurelib@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us). It is not too late to provide your opinion.

Preliminary findings of the study will be presented to the City Council on Tuesday, September 30, 2008 at a Council Study Session. The final study will be reviewed by Council on Tuesday, November 25, 2008. The meetings will be open to the public.

# iPhone Tips

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Library members will enjoy Pocketpedia, a free app, which displays Amazon.com reviews for music, movies and books. Check out what other people are saying about a book before checking it out. Another free app, BookSearch, will give you online prices of books from various online booksellers such as Abebooks, Amazon, Barnes & Noble and Powell's. Search for the books you just checked out of the Library and figure out how much money you saved!

If you're using Google Reader to manage information feeds, there is a beta version for iPhone users which makes keeping current easy and fast. Use Safari to visit [www.google.com/reader/i](http://www.google.com/reader/i). Quickly scan titles for an item of interest, tap and it expands in place, allowing you to see summary information without refreshing or leaving the page. Find the Library's RSS feeds by visiting the *Blogs & RSS Feeds* link from [www.sunnyvalelibrary.org](http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org) and add them to your Google Reader account. Enjoy the latest Library news and handy research tools and tips from librarians, or be sure to never miss another event by

subscribing to the Library's Google Calendar feed.

## Enjoy Library Programs on your iPhone

Using iTunes from a computer, search for *Sunnyvale Library*. Subscribe or select from over 50 audio/video presentations. After downloading to your computer, sync your iPhone with iTunes and enjoy Library programs from wherever you are. Simply access them on your iPhone by selecting iPod.

Enjoy Sunnyvale history? Watch more than 20 videos of Sunnyvale residents talking about life in early Sunnyvale. Access them on the iPhone by visiting YouTube and searching for *Sunnyvale Library*.

## Instant Access to Librarians

Use a computer to add *sunnyvalelibref* to your buddy list within your AIM, Yahoo, Google Talk, MSN or Meebo account. Then, use your iPhone to visit *meebo.com* and login to your account. Ask your question via instant message to *sunnyvalelibref* during Library open hours.

others, or ask us for different levels if necessary. At the end of the summer, the principals brought back the books, which we will now sort through for next summer!

This year the teachers did a fantastic job of encouraging their students to read: the librarians visited all three elementary schools and one middle school where they distributed a record 695 books! Congratulations to all of those readers!

# New Large Screen TV Makes Its Library Debut

By Christine Doxtad

Do you get bored standing in line to check out your books and other materials? Well, now you can watch TV! The Library has installed a large screen television behind the Circulation Desk displaying colorful slides about Library and City events and services. This is another way the Library strives to inform busy library users about all of the things going on in the Library. For example, did you know that we no longer charge a 50 cent fee for reserving library materials? Have you used our new and very popular Bestseller Express collection? And did you know that the Library is a wi-fi hot spot? Many Library users express surprise when they learn of all the Library has to offer.

Library staff updates the slides several times a week, keeping up with the changing activities and programs at the Library. Although currently most of the slides are oriented to Library events and news, we hope to expand the coverage to City-related events in the future. So, even if you're not in the check out line, take a minute to watch TV and become an informed Library user!

# Brainfuse Online Homework Help

By Susan Kaplan

For the past two years, the Library has offered an online homework help program, free to students and partially supported through a grant from the California State Library. For the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2008, nearly 1,000 Sunnyvale students had participated in an online homework help session with an expert tutor. The online homework help service is called HelpNow! and is provided by Brainfuse. Tutoring help can be provided for specific homework problems, or state-aligned skills building lessons can be given which help students master key academic areas.

Access Brainfuse by visiting the Library Web page and finding the link under "Databases." English and Spanish language tutors are available everyday from 1 to 10 p.m. After clicking on the Brainfuse link, choose whether you would like homework help or skills building. If this is your first time using Brainfuse, you'll be walked through a few short, easy steps to set up the software on your



computer. Then, select a subject and a grade level and an expert tutor will connect with you in moments. All sessions can be saved and printed.

Tutoring is designed for grades 3 through12, however, it is available for anyone interested in learning new skills or refreshing skills which may have been forgotten. Tutors are available for language arts, math (including algebra, geometry, trigonometry and calculus), science (including biology, chemistry, physics, and earth science) and social studies. There is even advanced placement help. Additionally, there is a Writing Lab available, where students can submit a paper to a tutor, and receive a response within 24 hours.

So, now there is no excuse for not understanding homework – Brainfuse is here to help!

# New Search Interface Coming Soon



By Marsha Pollak

Although there are many useful online and print resources available in the Library, searching can be tedious at times by having to access each resource individually and repeat search terms. A new, more effective way to search the library's resources is coming soon. When you want to see all the library resources on a broad topic, you will use a simple "one box" search, and search results will display on a single page.

You will discover new features, including:

- Google-like relevance ranking that guarantees the best answers rise to the top of your search.
- Easy to use facets - such as format, date of publication, language-to help refine your search
- Cool Web 2.0 features – like tag clouds that serve as subject headings- to help you limit your search.
- Community tagging so that you can enter your own comments about a book

- No more dead end searching. Instead, you'll be asked "Did you mean...?"
- Recently added books on your topic
- Easy access to ebooks on your topic
- Easy access to magazine articles and other resources on your topic

A simple search can lead to a world of discovery. Coming soon.



**Sunnyvale Public Library**  
665 W. Olive Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086

## Library Hours

Monday – Thursday	10 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Friday & Saturday	10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Sunday	Noon – 8 p.m.

Book and media drops are located outside the Library for after-hours returns.

## Telephone Numbers

	Area Code
Borrowers' Records	(408) 730-2748
Children's & Teen Services	(408) 730-7292
Deaf Access: TDD	(408) 730-7501
Dial-A-Story (English)	(408) 730-7333
Dial-A-Story (Spanish)	(408) 737-4907
Information & Reference	(408) 730-7300
Library Cards	(408) 730-2748
Library Administration	(408) 730-7316
Overdue Materials	(408) 730-7309
Renewals (Automated)	(408) 730-7310
Special Outreach Services	(408) 730-7306

## Library Web Site

[www.sunnyvalelibrary.org](http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org)

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Sunnyvale will make reasonable efforts to accommodate persons with disabilities. If you require special accommodation, please contact the library.



# September

## SUNNYVALE LIBRARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> <b>Labor Day</b> Library Closed	<b>2</b> <b>Film Discussion Group</b> 7 p.m.	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> <b>NEW! Health Resources</b> 10:30 a.m. – noon
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <b>Yarn Day</b> 3 p.m. – 5 p.m. <b>Board of Library Trustees Meeting</b> 7 p.m. <b>Read-Along Shakespeare</b> 7 p.m.	<b>9</b> <b>Basic Small Business Research</b> 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. <b>Reach New Customers with Internet Marketing</b> 7 p.m.	<b>10</b> <b>Extreme Googling</b> 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. <b>Jewish Literature (A Simple Story) Book Discussion</b> 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	<b>11</b> <b>Friends of the Library Meeting</b> 7 p.m.	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> <b>Time for Tales</b> 11 a.m.	<b>16</b> <b>Baby Lapsit</b> 11 a.m. <b>Stories for 1's</b> 11 a.m. <b>Searching the Internet</b> 3 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	<b>17</b> <b>Toddler Story Time</b> 11 a.m. <b>Manga/Anime Discussion Group</b> 4 p.m. – 5 p.m. <b>Fall Planting with UCC Master Gardeners</b> 7 p.m.	<b>18</b> <b>Monthly Book Group</b> 7 p.m.	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Friends of the Library Book Sale</b> 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> <b>Time for Tales</b> 11 a.m. <b>Yarn Day</b> 3 p.m. – 5 p.m. <b>Night Owl Story Time</b> 7 p.m.	<b>23</b> <b>Baby Lapsit</b> 11 a.m. <b>Stories for 1's</b> 11 a.m.	<b>24</b> <b>Toddler Story Time</b> 11 a.m.	<b>25</b> <b>Preschool Story Time</b> 11 a.m.	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> <b>Time for Tales</b> 11 a.m.	<b>30</b> <b>Baby Lapsit</b> 11 a.m. <b>Stories for 1's</b> 11 a.m. <b>Blogs &amp; Blogging</b> 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.			All programs meet in the Library's Program Room unless otherwise indicated in the description below.	<b>COLOR KEY:</b> <b>Kids' Programs</b> <b>Teen Programs</b> <b>Adult Programs</b>

## Program Descriptions

### Board of Library Trustees

Monday, September 8, 7 p.m.  
The meeting of the Board of Library Trustees will be held in Council Chambers at 456 W. Olive Ave. and is open to the public.

### Kids’ Programs

**Baby Lapsit**  
Tuesday, September 16, 23 & 30  
11 a.m.  
Ages up to 1 year.

**Night Owl Story Time**  
Monday, September 22  
All ages.

**Preschool Story Time**  
Thursday, September 25  
11 a.m.  
(continuing on Thursday, October 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, 11 a.m.)  
Ages 3 – 5 years.

**Important:** Due to overwhelming demand and to ensure fairness, registration will be done by a lottery system. Register your child in person at the Library between Saturday, September 13 and Sunday, September 21. Parents will be notified of the lottery results on Monday, September 22. Children who do not attend the first session will not be enrolled. This session will focus on Alphabet, Numbers, Shapes and Colors.

**Stories for 1's**  
Tuesday, September 16, 23 & 30  
11 a.m.  
Ages 12 months – 24 months.

**Time for Tales**  
Monday, September 15, 22 & 29  
11 a.m.  
Ages 3 – 5 years.

**Toddler Story Time**  
Wednesday, September 17 & 24  
11 a.m.  
Ages 2 – 3 ½ years.

### Teen Programs

**Film Discussion Group**  
Tuesday, September 2  
7 p.m.  
Teens and interested adults are welcome to join us for refreshments and to discuss this month's film. This month, **The Keys and the Kingdom** based on the book by A.J. Cronin will be discussed.

**Manga/Anime Discussion Group**  
Wednesday, September 17  
4 p.m. – 5 p.m.  
Teens and interested adults are invited to come and talk about your favorite manga and anime with other fans. Refreshments will be provided.

**Yarn Days**  
Monday, September 8 & 22  
3 p.m. – 5 p.m.  
Learn to knit or crochet! Teens and interested adults are invited to bring their yarn projects to the Library Program Room and have fun while working on them. We'll supply the knitting needles or crochet hooks and teach you how.

### Adult Classes

**Basic Small Business Research**  
Tuesday, September 9  
2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
An introduction to Internet resources to help you start, maintain and grow your small business. Topics covered include business plans, company performance data, competitive analysis, funding, mentors, and intellectual property protection and research. No registration necessary.

**Blogs & Blogging**  
Tuesday, September 30  
2 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
Come hear practical ideas for launching your Web presence. Learn about free tools to create a blog in minutes and how new technologies can help you reach the world with your message.

**Extreme Googling**  
Wednesday, September 10  
2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
Learn how to get the most out of Google and improve searching efficiency.

**Health Resources** **NEW**  
Saturday, September 6  
10:30 a.m. – noon  
Curious to know more about a particular health condition? Want to keep up with the latest health news? Come to this overview of tools and tricks to discover how the Library's free resources can help.

**Searching the Internet**  
Tuesday, September 16  
3 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
Find the information you want in minutes. Learn effective search techniques, discuss search engines and indexes and discover great places to start your search.

### Literature Programs

**Let's Talk About It: Jewish Literature**  
Wednesday, September 10  
7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
The third of five separate book discussions around the theme of *Your Heart's Desire: Sex and Love in Jewish Literature*, coordinated by Victoria Harrison, Ph.D., Jewish Studies Coordinator and Lecturer in the History Department at San Jose State University. **A Simple Story** by S.Y. Agnon will be discussed tonight. This series was made possible through a grant from Nextbook and the American Library Association.

**Monthly Book Group**  
Thursday September 18, 7 p.m.  
Enjoy the fellowship of readers as you share impressions of books, discovering new viewpoints and deepening your reading experiences. This month, **River Town: Two Years on the Yangtze** by Peter Hessler will be discussed. The book, winner of the 2001 Kiriama prize, is the peace corps teacher's account of his first two years in Fuling, a town on the Yangtze River in Sichuan province.

**Read-Along Shakespeare**  
Monday, September 8, 7 p.m.  
Gather with other fans of Shakespeare to read his works and gain new appreciation of these timeless masterpieces. This month, **Richard II** will be read.

### Adult Special Programs

**Fall Planting with UCC Master Gardeners**  
Wednesday, September 17, 7 p.m.  
The University of California Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners will present a program on Fall Planting. The always popular and informative Master Gardeners will provide advice on local conditions and best techniques.

**Reach New Customers with Internet Marketing**  
Tuesday, September 9, 7 p.m.  
Presented by Saravanan Veerappan. Learn how to create effective, low-cost Internet advertising campaigns. Explore the various channels of online advertising such as pay-per-click, banner ads, interactive advertising, e-mail advertising, and marketing through blogs and social networks. Experience the creation of a pay-per-click account and advertisement and learn how to measure the effectiveness of individual campaigns.

### Friends of the Library

**Friends of the Library Book Sale**  
Saturday, Sept. 20, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.;  
Half-price sale 3 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
Get great deals on hundreds of quality and gift books at the Friends Book Sale. The sale will be held in the Library Program Room. For more information, visit *FriendsOfTheLibrary.inSunnyvale.com*.

**Friends of the Library Meeting**  
Thursday, September 11, 7 p.m.  
Regular meeting of the Friends of the Library. All are welcome.



# October

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> <b>Time for Tales</b> 11 a.m. <b>Yarn Day</b> 3 p.m. – 5 p.m. <b>Read-Along Shakespeare</b> 7 p.m. <b>Board of Library Trustees Meeting</b> 7 p.m.	<b>7</b> <b>Baby Lapsit</b> 11 a.m. <b>Stories for 1's</b> 11 a.m. <b>Tips for Using the USPTO Web Site with an Emphasis on Patents</b> 2 – 3:30 p.m. <b>Film Discussion Group</b> 7 p.m.	<b>8</b> <b>Toddler Story Time</b> 11 a.m.	<b>9</b> <b>Preschool Story Time</b> 11 a.m. <b>Estate Planning and Write Your Own Will</b> 7 p.m. <b>Friends of the Library Meeting</b> 7 p.m.	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
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<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <b>Time for Tales</b> 11 a.m. <b>Night Owl Story Time</b> 7 p.m.	<b>28</b> <b>Marylee Sunseri</b> 11 a.m.	<b>29</b> <b>Toddler Story Time</b> 11 a.m. <b>Jewish Literature (The Lover) Book Discussion</b> 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	<b>30</b> <b>Preschool Story Time</b> 11 a.m.	<b>31</b>	

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**Family Story Time**  
Saturday, October 4, 11 a.m.  
All ages.

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Ages 3 – 5 years.

**Toddler Story Time**  
Wednesday, October 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29, 11 a.m.  
Ages 2 – 3 1/2 years.

### Kids' Special Programs

**Elementary Kicks**  
Thursday, October 2, 3 p.m.  
Elementary school kids are invited to 'kick back' with some snacks and 'kick it' with friends during crafts. Kids are sure to get their kicks.

**Marylee Sunseri**  
Tuesday, October 28, 11 a.m.  
Award-winning singer and songwriter Marylee Sunseri will have the perfect songs to sing with little children.

### Teen Programs

**Film Discussion Group**  
Tuesday, October 7, 7 p.m.  
Teens and interested adults are welcome to join us for refreshments and to discuss this month's film. This month's film will be announced soon. Check the Library Web site for more information.

**Games in the Library**  
Wednesday, October 1 6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
Saturday, October 18 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.  
Bring your favorite games and some friends and play all afternoon or evening. Any games are welcome - cards, board, miniature role-playing or electronic. The library will provide tables, a room where you can make noise, and refreshments. Anyone in grades 6 through 12 is welcome!

**Manga/Anime Discussion Group**  
Wednesday, October 15 4 p.m. – 5 p.m.  
Teens and interested adults are invited to come and talk about your favorite manga and anime with other fans. Refreshments will be provided.

**Yarn Days**  
Monday, October 6 & 20 3 p.m. – 5 p.m.  
Learn to knit or crochet! Teens and interested adults are invited to bring their yarn projects to the Library Program Room and have fun while working on them. We'll supply the knitting needles or crochet hooks and teach you how.

### Adult Classes

**Book Networking NEW**  
Wednesday, October 22 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
Learn how you can use LibraryThing, Shelfari, Gurulib or other similar sites to promote the books you like, pan the books you don't like, get reviews from real people, connect with others who share your taste in books, communicate with your book group online and catalog your books. The class includes brief overviews of some of the more popular sites and what they can do for you. No registration necessary.

**PubWEST Demonstration NEW**  
Tuesday, October 14, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
PubWEST is a collection of patent databases available only at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) in Alexandria, Virginia and at Patent and Trademark Depository Libraries. Find out how searching patents in PubWest is more flexible and efficient than searching the USPTO Web site. Also learn about keyword searching in the English language abstracts of European, Japanese, and additional foreign patent documents and in older U. S. patents (1920-1975).

**Tips for Using the USPTO Web Site with an Emphasis on Patents**  
Tuesday, October 7, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
Presented by Marjory Cameron, Patent and Trademark Librarian. With an emphasis on patent research, this orientation to [www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov) will help you locate forms, fees, file histories, status information, scam prevention and complaints, links to related sites and a brief overview of patent searching.

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**Read-Along Shakespeare**  
Monday, October 6, 7 p.m.  
Gather with other fans of Shakespeare to read his works and gain new appreciation of these timeless masterpieces. This month, **The Winter's Tale** will be read.

### Adult Special Programs

**Estate Planning and Write Your Own Will**  
Thursday, October 9, 7 p.m.  
Estate planning attorney Eric Norris will present an informative and entertaining seminar on estate planning. You'll discover the pitfalls of probate and how to avoid them. You'll learn about the advantages of living trusts, especially for the baby boomer generation. You'll hear about the importance of an Advance Health Care Directive, and why the local bank may not honor your Durable Power of Attorney. Finally, Eric will help you execute a valid simple California will on the spot. Space is limited so please contact the Information/Reference desk at (408) 730-7300, option 5, to reserve your place.

**League of Women Voters State Ballot Propositions**  
Tuesday, October 14, 7 p.m.  
Get objective non-partisan explanations of the statewide propositions under consideration in the November 4th election when the Cupertino-Sunnyvale chapter of the League of Women Voters presents a free program describing the propositions and answering your questions.

### Friends of the Library

**Friends of the Library Book Sale**  
Saturday, October 25, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.; Members-only sale starts at 9 a.m.; Bargain hours (\$4/bag) 2:30 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
Get great deals on thousands of books, DVDs and music CDs at the Friends Book Sale. The sale will be held at Raynor Center, 1500 Partridge Avenue. View/download the location map at [friendsofthelibrary.inSunnyvale.com](http://friendsofthelibrary.inSunnyvale.com).

**Friends of the Library Meeting**  
Thursday, October 9, 7 p.m.  
Regular meeting of the Friends of the Library. All are welcome.

